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1. The military airfields on the southwestern outskirts of VORONEZH (39°12' E/51°36' N) had no runway.\* Hangars were being rebuilt. Obstacle lights and mobile landing lights were observed during frequent night flights. There was intensive flying, including take-off and landing practice, firing practice at air sleeves, and formation flying of nine to twelve aircraft. Most of the aircraft observed had the following features:

- Twin-engine, low-wing monoplane; in-line engine, double rudder assembly; slender fuselage; retractable landing gear; a most rectangular wings. +++
- Two radial engines; trapezoidal, rounded off, slightly dihedral and sweptback wings set about in center of fuselage; single rudder assembly; rear section of fuselage projecting slightly beyond assemblies; retractable and twin-tire landing gear under wings; retractable nose wheel; fuselage rather clumsy; cross section of fuselage round to oval-shaped; cockpit and side windows; no turret. This aircraft type, particularly used for night landings and night flights, had aircraft searchlights and was seen being flown only during the last years. +++

2. A commercial airfield was located on the northern town border, north of the Komintern Plant, west of the road to MOSCOW. Multi-engine aircraft were regularly observed taking off from and landing at the field. Flying, done only by day, was less intensive than at the military airfield. +

\* 25X1A [ ] Comment:

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Another source, [ ] confirmed  
the existence and the location of the commercial airfield,

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the take-offs and landings of commercial aircraft, and stated that the 3,300x5,000 foot airfield had no firm runways.\*\* The commercial airfield, which has been repeatedly observed is considered to be confirmed.

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++ [ ] Comment: This is the first information stating that the hangars at the airfield southwest of VORONEZH were being rebuilt. This is considered credible when considered in connection with the observed flying activity. The observed flying activity again indicates that a bomber pilot school is probably stationed there. The reported aircraft types have also been previously recorded.

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[ ] Comment: Possibly MR-4s or Yak-4s.

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[ ] Comment: Probably IL-12s.

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